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Shorter Note

Isoëtes reticulata R. S. Hill 1987 (*Alcheringa* 12:158) is an illegitimate name. — This name comes after *Isoëtes reticulata* C.B. Gena & T.N. Bhardwaja 1984. Three new species of genus *Isoëtes* L. from Rajasthan, India. (*J. Bombay Natural History Society* 81:165–168). The paper by Hill titled "Tertiary *Isoëtes* from Tasmania" (*Alcheringa* 12:157–162) is a very readable account about a Tasmanian fossil that is highly exciting to Isoetologists. There are four pictures of megaspores (Fig. 1, A–D) taken by SEM, showing striking reticulations of great clarity. These figures are compared with two from modern day species (Fig. 1, E–F). What is amazing is the fossil spores are from sediments containing leaf and root fragments that are not less than 22 million years old! Hill had sufficient quality material to assign it to the genus *Isoëtes* rather than the fossil genus *Isoëtitites*. I am pleased to name this interesting fossil *Isoëtes* from Tasmania in honor of Dr. R.S. Hill.

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